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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND FORESTS DEPARTMENT

DECLARATION OF ELEPHANT RESERVE IN TIRUNELVELI AND KANNIYAKUMARI DISTRICTS

[G.O. Ms No.136, Environment, Climate Change and Forests (FR.5), 10th August 2022,
ஆடி 25, சுபகிருது, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு-2053.]

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WHEREAS, the Asian Elephant is considered to be a premier flagship species whose presence is a crucial indicator of the health of a forest eco-system,

AND WHEREAS the Government of Tamil Nadu is deeply committed to conserve Elephants and their habitats,

AND WHEREAS the forest areas of Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve and Kanniyakumari Wildlife Sanctuary in Agasthyamalai landscape constitute most important habitats of Asian Elephants in the southernmost part of the Western Ghats,

AND WHEREAS the Government of Tamil Nadu has decided to ensure conservation of the rich elephant habitats in the area and to also to enrich the health and connectivity of the elephant migratory paths in Agasthyamalai landscape through proper research and effective management techniques,

AND WHEREAS the Government of India, in their letter No. F. No. 7-2/2022-PE, dated 13.07.2022 have conveyed their consent for creation of **Agasthyamalai Elephant Reserve** in the State of Tamil Nadu for the purpose of elephant conservation,

AND WHEREAS for the afore stated purposes, the Government of Tamil Nadu have decided to notify **Agasthyamalai Elephant Reserve** with a total area of 1,19,748.26 hectares, constituting following areas listed in the Schedule below.

THE SCHEDULE

Tirunelveli District

Taluk	Name of the Reserved Forest	No. and Date of Notification of Reserve Forest		Area in Ha
		No.	Date	
Ambasamudram	Papanasam Alwarkurichi Ghat Forest Upper Slope RF	1611	20.12.1883	25,835.23
	Papanasam Alwarkurichi Ghat forest, Lower Slope RF	534	27.11.1890	7,851.66
	Alwarkurichi Reserve Forest II & II B	19	20.12.1911	76.67
	Kaloli enclosure in the Papanasam Forests.	81	31.01.1912	3.55
Ambasamudram	Addition to the Papanasm Alwarkurichi Reserve Forests Lower Slope – II B	581	28.11.1913	0.89
	Singampatti RF	3	12.01.2018	22,979.20
	Terkuviravanallur Reserve Forest	534	27.11.1890	1,289.82
	Manpothai Reserve Forest	511	08.11.1898	502.58
	Kolundumamalai Reserve Forest	88	17.02.1890	622.88
Nanguneri	Tirukurangudi and Kalakad Forests Upper Slopes	1911	20.12.1883	13,559.67
	Tirukurangudi and Kalakad Forests Lower Slopes	533	27.11.1890	8,532.25
	Vanamutti	194	25.04.1898	0.81
	Mahendragiri	249	18.05.1898	13.67
	Nadugani bit – I	487	12.12.1903	1.55
	Nadugani bit – II	244	14.06.1905	2.61
	Kulisalkidai	244	14.06.1905	0.40
	Jadikaitottam	244	14.06.1905	1.03
	Ladantottam	247	20.07.1906	4.14
	Taraganar Estate Block	243	10.05.1907	44.52
	Mayamparambu Estate Block	497	05.09.1910	44.19
	Addn to the Kalakad Reserve Forest I (a)	147	11.03.1912	2.63
	Addition to Tirukurungudi and Kalakad Reserve Forest	349	14.07.1913	0.53
	Addition to Tirukurungudi Reserve Forest	163	12.07.1921	4.00
	Addition to Kalakad Reserve Forest Karumandiamman, S.No.803-1 & 803-3	110	21.04.1923	36.72
	Valliyur Reserve Forest	51	28.01.1904	244.89
	Extension to Valliyur Reserve Forest	478	06.11.1908	45.52
	Kalakad Teak Tracts I to III	165	10.06.1889	109.75
Total Extent of Elephant Reserve in the District				81,811.36

Kanniyakumari District

Taluk	Name of the Reserved Forest	No. and Date of Notification of Reserve Forest		Area in Ha.
		No.	Date	
Kalkulam	Veerapuli RF (Part)	40	06.10.1903	5,942.00
Vilavancode	Kilamalai RF (Part)	31	21.07.1901	1,786.00
	Kilamalai RF (Part)	181	26.01.1929	5,938.00
Thiruvattar, Kalkulam, Thovalai	Veerapuli RF (Part)	31	17.07.1903	15,220.18
Thovalai	Asambu RF	51	12.01.1980	5,116.57
	Mahendragiri RF (Part)	40	29.09.1902	3,239.15
	Poigaimalai RF (Part)	3	06.10.1903	695.00
Total Extent of Elephant Reserve in the District				37,936.900
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1197.48 Sq. Km

2. The Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve, shall be Field Co-ordinator of **Agasthyamalai Elephant Reserve**.

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